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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6639

BILL NUMBER: SB 301

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 19, 2010

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Natural Resources Public Works Projects.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Hershman

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
☐ **DEDICATED**
☐ **FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill increases the cost of projects that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) may perform without awarding a public works contract from \$75,000 to \$150,000.

Effective Date: July 1, 2010.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Raising the limit to \$150,000 could increase the number and types of projects that the DNR could complete using its own workforce, which could reduce DNR expenditures to the extent that the DNR would not need to contract for additional outside services. DNR's seasonal work cycle would allow staff to complete construction projects during winter months when public visitation to its properties is minimal.

The proposal would not require the DNR to complete all projects under \$150,000, but would provide the DNR with the option to do so.

In 2008 DNR bid seven projects totaling \$803,675 that were in the cost range of greater than \$75,000 but less than \$150,000. In 2009 DNR bid six projects totaling \$648,776 in the same cost range.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: DNR.

Local Agencies Affected:

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